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REPORTS

OF

THE SELECTMEN,

TREASURER,

AND

SUPT. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Sunapee,

FOR THE

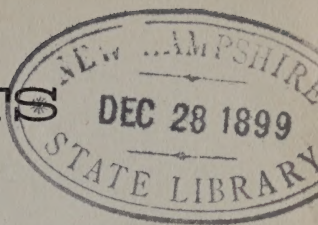
YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1884.



NEWPORT:

PRINTED BY BARTON & WHEELER,

1884.



SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Money in the treasury March 1, 1883,	\$815.29
Whole amount of assessments committed to the collector, including the non-resident highway tax,	4,383.29
Amount of resident highway taxes assessed in 1882 and remaining unpaid on the 1st Saturday in July, 1883,	3.37
Received taxes assessed in 1878,	10.00
“ “ “ 1879, '80 and '81,	252.93
“ “ “ 1882,	253.06
“ interest on taxes assessed in 1882,	5.51
“ “ “ “ 1883,	.79
“ for license,	4.50
“ of county of Sullivan,	321.59
“ of town of Croydon,	48.92
“ railroad tax,	37.70
“ savings bank tax,	646.96
“ literary fund,	106.59
“ bounty on crows and woodchucks,	14.10
“ of liquor agent,	598.24
Hired of M. Armine Tucker,	100.00
“ J. P. Smith,	350.00
Received for old bridge lumber,	1.00
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Total receipts,	\$7,953.84

DISBURSEMENTS.

BY ORDERS DRAWN ON THE TREASURER.

EXPENSE OF PAUPERS.

Paid expense of county paupers,	\$315.59
expense of B. F. Dame, a Croydon pauper,	48.92

N. H. Asylum for the Insane, expense of Isabel Batchelder,	\$215.65
N. H. Asylum for the Insane, for coffin and robe for Isabel Batchelder,	13.00
Mary Savory, support of Blanche I. Eastman,	8.00
Geo. W. Colby, " " "	6.00
" clothing for " "	1.89
Alfred Babb, support of Hiram A. Eastman,	3.00
Wm. Russell, clothing for " "	7.13
" goods delivered Melinda Eastman for support of child,	52.00
D. C. Eastman, support of Sally Cheney,	41.58
" making clothing for "	2.25
Joseph Russell, cloth for "	2.69
H. R. Everett, support of Lovisa Everett,	41.58
" medicine for "	3.50
C. F. Leslie, med. service "	19.00
N. P. Baker, goods for M. A. Angell,	52.00

Total,

\$833.78

REPAIRING ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid H. R. Everett, labor on road,	\$ 1.50
P. G. Fisher, "	3.25
D. C. Savory, "	.89
C. S. Thompson, "	2.75
E. P. Trow, "	5.10
N. N. Jackson, "	.75
Aaron Beck, "	1.80
J. Y. Gardner, "	.75
L. F. Bartlett, "	.80
E. Batchelder, plank and timber,	4.66
E. G. Ryder, "	.80
L. W. Buswell, "	5.45
Sargent & Lear, plank,	23.40
Almon Angell, "	2.71
W. W. Trow, "	3.17
H. W. Dickinson, "	1.28
W. W. Flanders, labor on bridges,	11.85
M. A. Bailey, labor on bridges and draw- ing plank for the same,	8.50

H. R. Everett, lumber for bridge,	\$8.82
Leroy C. Angell, timber and plank for bridge and labor on same,	23.44
Knowlton & Sargent, nails used on bridge,	.74
Franklin Blodgett, lumber,	2.80
“ gravel,	8.00
J. C. Purington, “	6.00
George A. Hart, “	5.95
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Total,	\$135.16

BREAKING ROADS IN SPRING OF 1883.

Paid Gilman Whitaker,	\$13.35
D. C. Savory,	4.69
H. A. Crowell,	3.00
Alfred Babb,	11.93
P. G. Fisher,	9.97
Almon Angell,	6.72
W. S. Angell,	5.25
J. M. Cooper,	2.75
H. W. Dickinson,	4.35
F. W. Colby,	3.07
H. O. Russell,	4.59
David Winn,	7.62
Geo. B. Wetherbee,	6.00
M. A. Bailey,	2.50
J. Y. Gardner,	8.50
B. R. Sleeper,	2.25
F. J. Colby,	7.86
H. R. Everett,	7.10
J. F. Woods,	2.40
A. S. Abbott,	6.67
A. C. George,	23.15
E. G. Ryder,	4.70
L. A. Lear,	16.45
Charles Davis	5.40
C. C. Morey,	15.20
W. E. Holmes,	9.81
J. S. Whipple, cutting out road,	8.26
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Total,	\$203.54

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER OF 1883 AND 1884.

Paid Frank M. Greely	\$8.25
Lyman Colburn	3.69
Aaron Beck,	1.75
L. C. Angell,	3.12
H. W. Dickenson,	7.00
Geo. W. Gardner,	4.00
J. Y. Gardner,	5.75
F. J. Colby,	3.60
W. D. Bailey,	1.75
Frank Young,	.50
E. J. George,	2.00
E. S. George,	1.00
J. M. Dewell,	1.00
A. T. Young,	.75
R. B. Muzzey,	.87
B. M. Leavenworth,	.75
J. L. George,	.75
Franklin Blodgett,	.75
Fred M. Sargent,	.75
C. W. Matthews,	.75
H. J. Wiggins,	2.87
Wm. Currier,	.62
James Eastman,	2.49
E. P. Trow,	5.58
Josiah Scott.	1.44
C. C. Morey, Dist. No. 20,	12.75
C. C. Morey, Dist. No. 13,	6.00
E. Batchelder,	21.13
M. T. Ward,	7.54
L. F. Bartlett,	2.44
Total,	<hr/> \$111.64

SCHOOL AND OTHER TAXES.

Paid F. M. Greely, District No. 1,	\$89.12
M. A. Bailey, " " 2,	152.62
A. C. George, " " 3,	59.64
C. C. Morey, " " 4,	79.98
E. P. Stickney, 2d. " " 5,	74.11

F. P. Dow,	" " 6,	\$34.74
B. R. Sleeper,	" " 7,	71.20
J. P. Smith,	" " 8,	193.71
O. P. Cross,	" " 9,	84.22
B. R. Sleeper, school house tax, Dist.		
No. 7,		30.00
E. H. Carr, County Tax,		655.41
Solon A. Carter, State Tax,		628 00
C. C. Morey, Non Res., Highway Re-		
ceipts of 1882,		51.75
C. C. Morey, Non Res. Highway Re-		
ceipts of 1883,		61.62
J. F. Davis, Non Res. Highway Re-		
ceipts of 1881,		6.63
Abated Thomas Roach's tax assessed in 1879.		7.99
" " " 1880,		8.96
C. F. Woodward's " " "		5.45
Thomas Roach's " " 1881,		5.37
Willie Fortune's " " "		1.47
M. F. Knowlton's " " "		1.90
Heirs of A. Perkins " " "		.33
Langdon S Perkins, " " "		3.27
Moses Cilley's, the N. S. Gardner		
house and shop, in 1881,		7.08
Geo. DeMars, Jr., tax assessed in 1882,		1.45
B. F. Dame's " " "		3.29
Henry E. Marshall's " " "		1.45
E. E. Batchelder's " " 1883,		1.48
B. F. Dame's " " "		3.04
J. W. Goss' " " "		1.48
Martin Sargent's " " "		2.07
Taxes in hands of collector of 1883,		171.60
Res. Highway, " " "		2.25
Total,		<hr/> \$2,502.68

NOTES.

Paid on note of Nancy Rogers,	\$12.00
" " David Brown,	108.00
Jonathan Russell,	100.00

Rhoda Hutchins,	\$50.00
Rachel Crowell,	100.00
Hazen Crowell,	60.00
Levi Colby,	100.00
Mary P. Straw,	40.00
Harvey Brown,	50.00
Hiram Newton,	100.00
Mehitable Brown,	50.00

Total, \$770.00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Barton & Wheeler, printing town reports,	\$15.00
“ for blanks,	2.25
E. C. Converse, “	4.75
C. H. Leslie, 20 certificates, births and deaths,	5.00
D. M. Currier, 6 certificates of births and deaths,	1.50
C. F. Leslie, surgical examination of Martha A. Hastings,	3.00
A. S. Wait, services in cases of Amos Hastings and Martha A. Hastings,	45.94
Amos Hastings, cost taxed by court in cases of Amos Hastings and Martha A. Hastings,	116.72
Amos Hastings, damage as per verdict of court, Sept. term, 1882,	300.00
Amos Hastings, damage in case of Martha A. Hastings,	500.00
Charles L. Russell, damage on highway,	2.50
Olen A. Lear, “ “ “	2.50
Ephraim Davis, “ “ “	2.50
Selectmen, bounty on 137 crows and 4 woodchucks,	14.10
Seth S. Davis, damage done sheep by dogs,	2.00
H. W. Dickinson, “ “ “ “ “	4.50
Geo. O. Rowe, “ “ “ “ “	6.00
D. C. Savory, watering trough,	2.00
Walter E. Hadley, “ “	2.00

Paid	J. A. Tucker,	"	"	\$3.00
	Asahel Lear,	"	"	3.00
	Wm. W. Flanders,	"	"	3.00
	J. W. Merrill,	"	"	3.00
	D. C. Eastman, moving Sally Cheney to county farm,			3.00
	D. C. Eastman, affidavit in pauper case,			.25
	Wm. C. Sturoc, affidavits in pauper cases,			5.50
	" " " 1-2 expense of specification for bridge,			1.00
	J. W. Merrill, express and checks,			16.41
	" " services as liquor agent,			72.00
	Dunbar & Co., liquor and kegs,			442.60
	J. W. Johnson & Co.,			84.00
	J. F. Davis, hall for town meeting,			20.00
	" " keeping tramp,			1.00
	Selectmen of Newport, 1-2 expense of sur- veyor, perambulating town line,			1.50
	Elias Powers, " " "			1.00
	F. P. Morgan, services as hearse-driver,			3.00
	" " tolling bell,			.50
	J. F. Davis, services as hearse-driver,			22.00
	" " tolling bell,			3.50
	B. M. Leavenworth, " "			3.00
	Geo. B. Wetherbee, services as sexton,			4.00
	Frank P. Dow, " " "			2.00
	Horace A. Crowell, " " "			6.00
	Alonso Cross, " " "			14.75
	L. H. Goss, opening grave for Naomi Johnson,			2.00
	Franklin Blodgett, horse hire,			.50
	M. A. Bailey, " "			1.50
	J. P. Smith, " "			2.00
	J. F. Davis, services as collector,			3.80
	C. C. Morey, " "			67.58
	" " blanks for two years,			3.25
	Geo. E. Lear, services as supervisor.			5.00
	" " blank check-lists,			1.15
	J. P. Smith, services as supervisor,			5.00
	C. F. Leslie, " school committee,			14.00
	George Dodge, " " "			25.00

Paid	Moses L. Sargent, services as town clerk,	\$25.00
	“ “ postage and stationery,	1.00
	Geo. H. Bartlett, services as treasurer,	15.00
	“ “ paying state and county tax,	3.50
	“ “ postage and stationery,	.60
	J. S. Whipple, services as selectman,	45.00
	M. A. Bailey, “ “	54.25
	“ “ “ as overseer of the poor,	10.50
	J. P. Smith, “ as selectman,	71.50
	“ “ “ as overseer of the poor,	22.00
	“ “ postage and stationery,	1.45

Total,	\$2,131.85
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RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts,	\$7,953.84
Paid expenses of paupers,	\$833.78
for repairing roads and bridges,	135.16
for breaking roads in spring of 1883,	203.54
“ “ “ “ winter of '83 and '84,	111.64
school and other taxes,	2502.68
on notes,	770.00
miscellaneous expenses,	2,131.85
money in the treasury,	1,265.19
Total disbursements,	\$7,953.84
Abated John Young's tax assessed in 1878,	23.58

BILLS AGAINST THE TOWN.

Rachel Crowell, note and interest,	\$1016.44
Nancy Rogers, “	246.28
Hiram Newton	2400.23
Mehitable Brown	1259.50
Hazen Crowell	307.32
John P. Knowlton	1176.65
Levi Colby	901.25
Maroa C. Cooper	32.10
Asenath F. Cooper	28.18
Lyman Colburn	385.50
Jonathan Russell	644.45
Alfred Martin	435.81

Sarah J. Stickney	\$48.97
William Trow	1361.67
Rhoda Hutchins	701.65
Mary P. Straw	340.35
Henry H. Stickney	80.93
Harvey W. Dickenson	675.70
Harvey Brown	1368.90
Juliette K. Boyce	554.42
James Collins	611.67
Eliza Collins	53.73
Elizabeth C. Morgan	117.21
Elijah G. Ryder	442.39
Betsey Ryder	35.64
Ezra G. Ryder	139.91
Francena G. Ryder	64.89
Charles George	135.41
David Brown	2709.43
Mary Ann Davis	157.46
M. Q. & R. A. Eastman	356.55
Harriet H. Davis	340.32
Warren I. Merrill	56.64
Lucy A. Roby	57.16
M. Armine Tucker	102.14
Joseph P. Smith	357.70
Due J. W. Ladd & Co., one half cost of building bridge	100.00
Total,	<hr/> \$19,804.58

BILLS IN FAVOR OF THE TOWN.

Money in the treasury.	\$1265.19
Unpaid taxes assessed in 1878,	37.58
Unpaid taxes in 1883,	171.60
Unpaid resident highw'y tax assessed in 1882	2.25
John B. Smith's note and interest	103.67
Joseph C. Savory's "	42.73
Pew in M. E. Church, estimated,	10.00
Liquor kegs and measures at cost,	81.00
Total,	<hr/> \$1714.02

Balance against town, \$18,090.56
 Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH P. SMITH, } Selectmen
 MURVIN A. BAILEY, } of
 JOHN S. WHIPPLE, } Sunapee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Bal. in treasury March 1st, 1883,	\$815.29	
Received of the Selectmen,	2225.10	
" of Chas. C. Morey,	4474.75	
" of " " " Int. on taxes,	6.30	
" of " " " Res. highway tax,	1.12	
" of John F. Davis,	252.93	
" of Moses L. Sargent, town clerk, for licenses,	4.50	
Total receipts,		\$7779.99

DISBURSEMENTS.

Support of county poor,	315.59	
" of town " "	469.27	
" of B. F. Dame,	48.92	
For roads and bridges,	135.16	
" breaking roads in spring of 1883,	203.54	
" " " " winter of 1883 and 1884,	111.64	
School taxes,	839.34	
Other " "	1489.49	
On notes,	770.00	
Miscellaneous,	2131.85	
Total disbursements,	6514.80	
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	1265.19	\$7779.99

GEO. H. BARTLETT, Town Treasurer.

We certify that we have examined the above report and find it correct.

JOSEPH P. SMITH, } Selectmen
 MURVIN A. BAILEY, } of
 JOHN S. WHIPPLE, } Sunapee.

SCHOOL REPORT •

By the superintending school committee for the year ending March 1st, 1884.

“Comparisons are invidious.”

“Agamemnon found it an invidious affair to give the preference to any one of the Grecian heroes.”

The report last year was made in general terms. On receiving the appointment as successor to Dr. Leslie, removed from town, it was suggested to me that each school takes much interest in what is said of it. “Speak of me as I am; nothing extenuate, nor set down ought in malice,” shall rule in all personal allusions that follow.

The teacher is the soul of the school room, if it or he has a proper one. When he actuates only by the motive “to save your recess,” the “imperfect mark,” the “stay after school” or the ever energizing rod, he does not enthuse with the best stimulants. But if all these can be passed and the school room transferred into a beehive of industry, economy, and inquiry by awakening an ambition and determination to know, to acquire and apply, the goal of teaching has been reached. I would not depreciate facts. They are the warp to which successive induction and deduction is the woof.

The famous Onondaga Co., N. Y., spelling prodigy was in possession of three thousand facts; in that he could spell every word in Webster's spelling book. He knew not the meaning of any word unless daily talk had familiarized him with it. He could neither read nor write intelligently nor compute in numbers; yet he would contemptuously say “I can beat your boys spelling. A case of much warp with no woof. Poor cloth. A sensible use of these words with imperfect spelling would have been better. Do I hear “heterodox,” I reply orthodox respectfully. The dredge of facts may succeed without rudder or helm. The yacht, successive thought, must be guided. Annex ciphers to the enumerator and divide by the denominator is a fact statement of an arithmetical process. To reduce this process to its proper principal calls upon reason, not memory. Herein lies the test of a good teacher in any branch of study. Here again all reason and no memory is deprecated.

“ Education is the one living fountain which must water every part of the social garden.”

The diversion of the town's literary fund two years ago was most keenly felt by the friends of education. A further reduction of the sum raised by the town in addition to that required by law for school purposes March last materially crippled the schools for the past year.

These misfortunes have been atoned for somewhat by the timely and generous presentation, by the intercession of Joseph P. Smith, of Murray's Maps of the United States and World, to every district in town, by George H. Bartlett. May the donor ever be held in kind remembrance, and Mr. Smith encouraged to further solicitation. Also each teacher's desk has been furnished without expense, with Higginson's history of the United States.

RETURN OF REGISTERS AND PAYMENT OF TEACHERS.

Sec. 16, chap. 89 of the Gen. Laws of N. H. makes it imperative that “ no teacher shall receive payment for his services until such certificate is produced and delivered to the prudential committee.” The objector may reply there is no penalty for its violation. The common law of this state says, “ When a statute enacts a matter of public convenience but inflicts no penalty an offender may be indicted and punished by fine.” The State v. Fletcher, 5 N. H. Report 257. The unquestionable effect and intent of this law is to make every prudential committee who shall pay and likely teacher who may receive such pay liable to criminal prosecution by indictment and fine if it is paid or received before or without such certificate obtained. In a civil action any inhabitant of the district may recover such money paid out by the prudential committee from him and he be the sole loser. Five days ago I was asked by the printers to send in my report for the type. At that time I did not know where the registers for Nos. 3, 4 and 8 were. On inquiry the one in No. 4 was with the prudential committee. No. 8 at Newport, and No. 3 I know not of now, and that is why the above information is suggested to committees and teachers.

I think only two prudential committees are in possession of a certificate from a S. S. Committee, Nos. 2 and 9. No. 3 register has just arrived but not filled out. I will close this matter by saying if prudential committees should think best to conform to the law it would be much better for the S. S. Com.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Was taught the first term by May E. G. Angell, under the superintendence of Dr. Leslie. The second term by Francena G. Ryder, a teacher of large experience. We regret that the discipline of a lady who spares no effort to benefit her pupils should meet with opposition.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

First and second term was taught by Mary E. Burpee. A very agreeable, pleasant teacher; being her first attempt. Shall her discipline improve by experience she will succeed. The third term was taught by the S. S. C. He found a very bright class of pupils that did all for themselves that need be asked.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Taught by Mary S. Stanley, first term under Dr. Leslie, second term by Lilla M. Felch, whose register has not been filled.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Taught by Carrie H. Cooper both terms, I think with fair success. Register not properly filled.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

First term under Dr. Leslie was taught by Jennie B. Carter. Second was taught by Edwin F. Hastings. A bright, active, energetic worker. Perhaps too closely confined to text books.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Taught by Asenath F. Cooper, who possesses rare native ability to teach. This was her first term, and very much to commend was there in it. Committees that may secure her services will take the first step for a profitable term, or this one is not indicative. A perfect register.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Taught by Joseph P. Smith, a veteran of whom to speak commendation is to speak "household words." His steady, persistent, systematic push, step upon step, makes the time of his pupils continuously profitable.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Is well reported by the Board of Education.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Has been taught by Mrs. George Dodge, and a remarkable change for the better is very manifest in the school.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the Superintending School Committee of Sunapee: District No. 8 has had 30 weeks of school, divided into three terms of ten weeks each. The spring term was taught by Edwin P. Stickney 2d. Mr. Stickney possesses much energy of character, is very studious in his habits, and a close thinker, and he easily imparts these characteristics to his pupils. The school was well governed, thoroughly instructed, and the improvement was good.

The fall and winter terms were taught by Miss Flora C. Clough. Miss Clough has had a good experience in teaching. She is systematic in her arrangements in the school room, and practical and thorough in her instruction. Being a good disciplinarian she easily maintains good order. The closing examination was largely attended by the patrons of the school, and was creditable alike to teacher and pupil.

We are embarrassed by the non-return of the register, which prevents us giving you the statistics required by law.

Mrs. GEO. H. BARTLETT,	} Board of	
J. P. SMITH,		Education
GEORGE DODGE,		for No. 8.

Sunapee, Feb. 29, 1884.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS.

Terms.—1, Summer; 2, Fall; 3, Winter		Names of Teachers.												Wages of Teachers per Month	
No. of District.....															

ROLL OF HONOR.

Dist. No. 2. First term.—Fannie E. Hadley, Blanche J. Boyce.
Second term.—Fannie E. Hadley, Lillian Hadley.

Dist. No. 3. Francelia M. Colby, Addie A. George, Agnes J. Young.

Dist. No. 4. First term.—Ray P. Lear, Seldon Gardner, George S. Abbott, Lora M. Abbott. Cora A. Abbott, Emma Morey, Minnie Morey, Annie G. Morey.

Second term.—Florence E. Abbott, Geo. S. Abbott.

Dist. No. 5. First term.—Alice L. Boyce, Carrie B. Boyce, Ida E. Holmes, Geo. E. Fifield, Austin W. Russell.

Second term.—Alice L. Boyce, Ida E. Holmes, Annie T. Whipple, Eddie P. Colby, Delivan M. Chase, George E. Fifield, Bertie M. Holmes.

Dist. No. 6. First term.—Jessie A. Noyes, Willie A. Noyes, Fred Noyes, Nettie M. Dow, Walter E. Dow.

Second term.—Jessie A. Noyes, Willie A. Noyes, Fred Noyes, Walter E. Dow.

Dist. No. 7.—Lilla L. Colby, H. R. Pearl Merrill, Edwin A. Kempton, Frank B. Pike, Sidney E. Paul, Geo. E. Sleeper.

Dist. No. 9. First term.—Willie Everett, Clarence Cross. Willie Muzzey, Langdon Muzzey, Mertie Muzzey, Eugene Muzzey, Bert Tucker, Carrie Tucker, Blanche Tucker, Beulah Young, Jennie Cross, Tillie Muzzey.

Second term.—Willie Everett, Clarence Cross, Willie Muzzey, Langdon Muzzey, Bert Tucker, Alvah Young, Carrie Tucker, Blanche Tucker, Beulah Young, Jennie Cross, Stella Cross, Hattie Muzzey, Tillie Muzzey, Mattie Collins, Mertie Muzzey, Eugene Muzzey.

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